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PATENT
MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re:	Patent Application Of	:	Group Art Unit:
	Darwin J. Prockop, <i>et al.</i>	:	1632
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Serial No.:	09/816,182	:	Examiner:
		:	Anne Marie Falk
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Filed:	March 23, 2001	:	Attorney Docket No.:
		:	(053844-5019US1)
For:	EARLY STAGE MULTIPOTENTIAL STEM	:	
	CELLS IN COLONIES OF BONE MARROW	:	
	STROMAL CELLS	:	

AMENDMENT

This Amendment responds to the Office Action mailed on May 3, 2005 in connection with the above-captioned application. Per the petition and fee submitted herewith, the benefit of 37 C.F.R. §1.136 is invoked to secure a one-month extension of time up to and including September 3, 2005. A check to cover the one-month extension fee of \$60 for a small entity is enclosed.

No further fees are believed due in connection with the submission of this response. However, if a fee is due, kindly charge deposit account 50-0573.